Government to serve for some time longer were sent back in spite of the fact that the Prime Minister was pleased to say that Muslims were not intentionally excluded?"

THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Since a sufficient number of questions have been put both in this House and in the other House on this topic, will the Government consider the question of terminating the services of all officers re-employed or retained in service after having completed their period?"

THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" தகுந்த ஆபீசர்கள் கிடைத்தால் அதன்பிறகு அவர்களை அனுப்பிவிடுகிறோம் என்று முன்னமேயே சொல்லியிருக்கிறேன். ஆகையால் இப்பொழுது இந்த question தேவை இல்லை."

MR. K. O. ANTHONI :—" Arising out of the answer given by the Hon. the Prime Minister, may I know how long will it take to get suitable officers?"

THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—"எல்லாம் தெரிந்துகொண்டுதான் சொல்லமுடியும் இப்பொழுது சொல்ல முடியாது."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" May I know, Sir, whether there are not juniors in service who are qualified to be promoted to these high appointments?"

THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" அப்படி இருந்தால் இந்த ஆபீசர்களை இப்பொழுது நியமித்து இருக்கவேண்டிய தில்லை."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Do the Government think that the junior officers are found to be inefficient and unable to discharge the duties which would be entrusted to them on promotion?"

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I think here it is a matter of numbers not qualifications. They want more men, evidently."

THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" அதிகப் பேர்கள் வேண்டியதாக இருந்திருப்பதால் அப்படி நடந்திருக்கிறது. இப்பொழுது அதைப்பற்றி யோசிக்கவேண்டியதில்லை."

Audit objections on the accounts of Tirumalai-Tirupathi Devastanam.

* 151 Q.—SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any complaints against the present Commissioner of Tirumalai-Tirupathi Devasthanam from the President of the said Devasthanam Committee regarding some audit objections against the said Commissioner;

(b) if so, when this complaint was received by the Government;

(c) whether the Government have taken any action on the complaint; and

(d) if not whether they propose to order an enquiry now at least?

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THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" (*a*) The Audit Officer of the Devasthanams has made representations to Government about certain audit irregularities implicating the Commissioner, Tirumalai-Tirupathi Devasthanams.

" (*b*) December last.

" (*c*) Yes; the matter has been referred to the Collector of Chittoor for investigation and report.

" (*d*) Does not arise."

Madras Vigilance Association.

* 152 Q.—MRS. M. N. CLUBWALA : Will the Hon. the Home Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) what action is being taken on the scheme prepared by the Madras Vigilance Association for starting an Industrial Home in the premises of the Association for women who are convicted under the Suppression of Immoral Traffic Act; and

(*b*) what steps are being taken on the suggestions made by the Women's Sub-Committee of the Post-war Reconstruction Committee for the employment of women police?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"(*a*) The proposal has been treated as a Part II Scheme for 1947–48.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration in consultation with the Inspector-General of Police."

Chingleput Wholesale Stores.

* 153 Q.—SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Chingleput Wholesale Stores have not been keeping proper accounts in their central office as well as in their sub-offices;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that a Co-operative department official is deputed to carry on concurrent monthly audit of the Chingleput wholesale societies accounts;

(*c*) whether that official has reported to the Government that the Chingleput wholesale societies accounts have not been properly kept for the last six months and that it was impossible for him to audit the accounts; and

(*d*) whether the Government propose to hold an enquiry into the matter?

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" (*a*) The Chingleput Co-operative Wholesale Stores is maintaining the books and registers in accordance with the rules made under the Co-operative Societies Act. The accounts were posted up to 28th February 1947 in the head office excepting the striking of balances in the goods ledger. Regarding the branch accounts, those in the Uttiramerur branch are kept up to date while in the three other branches, viz., at Conjeevaram,